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In re Application of

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For

Abundant, Well Distributed and Hyperpolymorphic Simple

Sequence Repeats in Prokaryote Genomes and Use of Same

For Prokaryote Classification and Typing

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office US Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above identified application as follows:

#### In the Specification:

Please insert at page 1, line 15, the following paragraph:

#### -- RELATED PATENT APPLICATIONS

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This application is a Divisional Application of US Application 09/472,035

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### In the Claims:

Cancel Claims 1 – 15.